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To: Child and Adult Care Food Program Organizations

From: Mary Szafranski, Deputy Associate Superintendent
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Subject: Kraft American Cheese Slices

Kraft has recently changed the name on its American Singles label from “Pasteurized Process Cheese Food” to “Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product.” The Child and Adult Care Food Program provides all participants with The Creditable Foods and Simplified Buying Guide. In this guide, it states that cheese food and cheese spread are creditable items and may be included as a meat alternate in a reimbursable meal. Any cheese type item labeled with the wording “cheese product” does not meet the requirements for a meat alternate protein source. Therefore, Kraft American Cheese Slices can no longer be credited as part of a reimbursable meal for the Child and Adult Care Food Program. All CACFP Organizations are strongly encouraged to read product labels to ensure program standards continue to be met.

Please feel free to contact your program specialist if you have further questions.

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